November 26th, 1926.

Motion by Mr. Woodward, seconded by Mr. Smith that the Engineer be therefore instructed to advertise for the reletting of this project at the earliest possible date. Motion carried.

November 29th, 1926.

Eugene T. Smith, Chairman Scott Woodward, Member Geo. P. Robertson, Member, present

The State Highway Engineer presented the bids received October 26th, 1926, for the construction of a concrete pavement on Highway 36 in Washington County, (same being F.A.P. 358, Unit 11), with the statement that the County had let previous Federal and State aid projects by requiring contractors to bid using the commercial instead of the municipal freight rate, and that the County had collected for its own use the difference, amounting to 10¢ per ton on all sand, gravel and stone used. The State Highway Engineer also stated that the County Engineer had submitted a statement showing that Washington County had benefitted by this difference in freight to the extent of \$9,210.71 on F.A.P. 236, and on Unit 1 of F.A.P. 358 to the extent of \$380.57; that on F.A.P. 236 the Federal Bureau participated to the extent of 26.07%, which would amount to \$2,401.23 out of the total of \$9,210.71; and that on F.A.P. 358, Unit 1, the Bureau participated to the extent of \$46.16%, which would amount to \$175.67 out of \$380.57; that the Bureau claims the total of \$2,401.23 and \$175.67, or a total of \$2,576.90; also that the State participated in F.A.P. 236 only to the extent of 19.55%, which percentage of \$9,210.71 would amount to \$1,800.69.

Motion by Mr. Robertson, seconded by Mr. Smith that the State Highway Engineer be instructed to notify the Commissioners Court of Washington County that upon receipt of \$2,576.90 and \$1,800.69, or a total of \$4,377.59, (which amount is not to be taken from the \$250,000 now held by Washington County out of its bond issue for the construction of Unit 11 of F.A.P. 358, but must be supplied from other sources), that the Highway Commission will then consider the award of F.A.P. 358, Unit 11, upon bids which were received October 28th, 1926. Motion carrried.

Motion by Mr. Robertson, seconded by Mr. Woodward that the State Highway Engineer be instructed to advertise for bids to be opened December 20th on F.A.P. 501-A, consisting of 7.762 miles grading and drainage structures on Highway No. 5, <u>Hardeman</u> County. Motion carried.

Motion by Mr. Woodward, seconded by Mr. Robertson that the State Highway Engineer be instructed to advertise for bids on F.A.P. 426-B, Unit 1, consisting of 5.871 miles grading and drainage structures on Highway No. 35, San Jacinto County, from the Polk County line to Shepperd. Motion carried.

Motion by Mr. Woodward, seconded by Mr. Robertson that upon the recommendation of the State Highway Engineer, \$3,000.00 be allotted for the reconstruction of a concrete bridge on Highway No. 20, Travis County; to be expended under the direction of the Maintenance Department. Motion carried.

Motion by Mr. Robertson, seconded by Mr. Woodward, that the State Highway Engineer be instructed to advertise for bids on Job 57-K S.A.P. 698, Dallas County, same being part of Highway No. 6 between the Dallas City Limits and Mockingbird Lane, as soon as plans for same have been approved by the Bureau of Public Roads. Motion carried.

Motion by Mr. Woodward, seconded by Mr. Robertson that the Maintenance Department be given a special allotment of \$17,500.00 for the placing of F.A.P. 331-B, Job 71E on Highway No. 44, Falls County in a condition acceptable to the Bureau of Public Reads. Motion carried.

## November 29th, 1926.

Motion by Mr. Woodward, seconded by Mr. Robertson that the Maintenance Engineer be instructed to have such plans prepared as may be necessary on the above mentioned project for advertising for bids. Motion carried.

Motion by Mr. Robertson, seconded by Mr. Woodward, upon the recommendation of the State Highway Engineer, that due to the failure of Tarrant County to secure the necessary right of way in order to complete the shoulders on S.A.P. 673, Dallas-Fort Worth Pike, that the Engineer is authorized in accordance with his recommendation to final the job, paying for such work under contract as has actually been done. Motion carried.

Motion by Mr. Woodward, seconded by Mr. Robertson and upon the recommendation of the State Highway Engineer, that the State Highway Engineer be instructed to notify the county officials of Milam County that their request for \$96,675.47, \$50,000.00 to be available in March 1927, the balance in 1928, same as aid for the construction of that portion of the recently designated highway in Milam County, which highway leads from Cameron through Thorndale to Elgin, cannot be granted, nor considered, until the entire road meets the designation requirements. Motion carried.

## November 30th, 1926.

Came on for consideration the question of the completion of the a-ward of contract on F.A.P. 442-A, Units 1 and 11, Brazoria County, a-warded by the Highway Commission on October 6th, as shown by the minutes on page 193. The award was made subject to the approval of the Bureau of Public Roads due to the bond situation. This matter now having been cleared to the satisfaction of the Bureau of Public Roads, motion by Mr. Woodward, seconded by Mr. Robertson that the Highway Engineer, with the concurrence of the Bureau of Public Roads (Mr. Everett present and concurring) be instructed to issue work orders.

Motion carried.

Motion by Mr. Robertson, seconded by Mr. Woodward that contract on Project No. 459, consisting of 9.52 miles grading, bridging and graveling on Highway No. 3 in Bexar County be awarded to the low bidders Cook & Arrington, Crockett, Texas, for \$110,201.92. This award recommended by the State Highway Engineer, with the concurrence of the Bureau of Public Roads: Mr. Everett of the Bureau, present and concurring. Motion carried.

Motion by Mr. Woodward, seconded by Mr. Robertson that contract on F.A.P. 466-J, consisting of 3.11 miles concrete pavement on Highway No. 6, Galveston County, be awarded to J. W. Zempter & Company, low bidders, for \$133,974.64. This award recommended by the State Highway Engineer, with the concurrence of the Bureau of Public Roads: Mr. Everett present and concurring. Motion carried.

## December 1st, 1926.

Motion by Mr. Robertson, seconded by Mr. Woodward that \$3,900.00 per mile be allotted for expenditure under the maintenance department for gravel to be placed on Highway No. 108 between the Bell County line and Barclay in Falls County, which road at this time is in impassable condition and the county is unable, on account of their inability to sell bonds for construction work on this road, to render any assistance. This allotment is made with the understanding that when Falls County bond issue for construction of Highway No. 108 is available and has been financed for construction, that the \$3,900.00 per mile herein granted is to be considered as a part of the State's participation on the cost. Motion carried.

## December 2nd 1926.

Motion by Mr. Woodward, seconded by Mr. Smith that the bid of the Berger Manufacturing Company for furnishing corrugated culvert pipe, f.o.b. Lubbock, Texas, be accepted at \$5,893.66. Motion carried.

The State Highway Engineer presented the matter of the award of a contract for the construction of a pavement in Washington County in accordance with bids submitted October 26th, 1926 as follows:

I recommend that with the concurrence of the Bureau of Public Roads that contract for the construction of F.A.P. 358, Unit 11, (concrete pavement), in Washington County be awarded to the low bidders, Harrison Engineering and Construction Corporation for \$431,109.24; as much as the opinions of the Attorney General of Texas clearly indicate that this corporation had a right under the law to bid and have secured a permit to do business in Texas.

Mr. Everett of the Bureau of Public Roads, present and concurring, with the understanding that the Bureau would be refunded \$2576.90 on overcharges in freight in previous projects in this county that were participated in by the Bureau; this amount being the proportionate part of the overcharge due the Bureau.

Motion by Mr. Woodward, seconded by Mr. Smith that contract be awarded as recommended by the Engineer with instructions to the Engineer to refund the \$2575.90 in such manner as may be desired by the Motion carried. Bureau.

Motion by Mr. Woodward, seconded by Mr. Smith that the State Highway Engineer be authorized to advertise for bids on F.A.P. 503-A, grading and drainage structures on 17.587 miles Highway No. 7, Lubbock to the Hockley County line, Lubbock County. Motion carried.

Motion by Mr. Woodward, seconded by Mr. Smith that the following headlight device as recommended to the Highway Commission for approval by Harold Brelsford, Engineer, Automobile Headlight Division, it having passed all of the requirement of the Headlight Law, be approved:

Courtesy Reflector.